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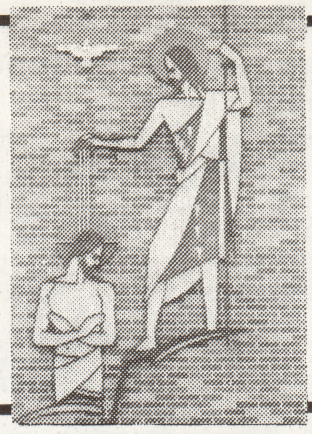

Just A Word ...

by Fr. Harvey

This column is written mid-way through Team Week. Members of the Pastoral Team have been engaged in extensive planning and coordination of the multi-faceted life of St. John Parish as it directly pertains to Team members in the next 12 months of service here.

On the first full day of meeting, a spiritual director-facilitator guided the team members through a day of prayer and reflection culminating with an evening liturgy. We reflected again on our own individual call to faith in Jesus Christ along with our response to that call in our own vocational work, ministering now in this parish community. A variety of personal histories touched in differing ways by the loving, beckoning hands of God, has brought each team member, whether lay person, sister or priest to advance the Lord's kingdom in some small way by serving you who have also felt the need to answer Jesus' question, "Who do you say I am?"

With such a focus, the team set out to plan, to create, to suggest and sometimes to wonder. Several of the insights contained in the Opinion Survey highly flavored specific areas of planning. (Shame on you who thought the survey wouldn't make any difference)! The Commissions and the Council will attempt to extend your input from the surveys in the months to come. But a start has already been made.

In the end, of course, the most elaborate calendar of events, the finest programs of religious education, the most awe-inspiring liturgy, the most active service group, will be only so much busyness if all these efforts and your participation does not help make us a more faithful people, pleasing to the Lord through our love for each other!

St. John Religious Education '78-'79 Registration

After all Masses, September 2 and 3, September 9 and 10 and September 16 and 17. For all programs.

Parish Nuptials

Our parish community rejoices with those who have recently celebrated their covenants of Holy Marriage.

August 19, 1978

On Saturday afternoon, Deborah Anne Vachon of this parish solemnized the covenant of sacred marriage with Stephen Paul Schmaltz in Lord of Light Lutheran Chapel, Ann Arbor, before Fr. Harvey and Pastor Gordon Ward, Jr.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vachon, active participants in this parish. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman J. Schmaltz of Ann Arbor. Tad Schmaltz of Ann Arbor and Ruth DeVries of Benton Harbor were the main witnesses.

On Saturday evening in our church, Ted Wickering, son of Mrs. William Wickering and the late Mr. Wickering of this parish, and Vicky Lynne Wilson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Lynn Wilson, spoke their life vows of marriage before Fr. Harvey. Max B. Barnes, of Wayland, Michigan and Deborah Drolshagen also of Wayland were the main witnesses.

A cousin of the groom, Deborah Wickering of Grand Rapids, served as lector for the wedding celebration. J. Robert Wickering also of Grand Rapids, uncle of the groom, was the soloist, accompanied by Miss Marie Stachlewitz, organist.

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We with the newly-weds much happiness in their vocations as Christian husbands and wives!

Washtenaw Community College Presents

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- History of Christianity up to the Reformation (Tuesdays, 8:00 - 10:00 p.m.).
- Approaches to Scripture Memorization (Saturdays, 11:00 - 12:00 a.m.).
- Old Testament Scripture, Kings and Prophets (Wednesdays, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.).

Courses begin **Fall** semester (September 6, 1978 to December 21, 1978) at St. Thomas Religious Education Center, 517 Elizabeth Street, Ann Arbor. Information and registration by phone: 662-8578 til August 25.

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The Interdenominational Religious Education Program for the mentally handicapped is hoping to expand for 1978-79. Due to the number of participants it is necessary to go from the one group we had last year to possibly 3 groups this year. Obviously this will require more staff.

We would like to ask you if you could volunteer one evening a week to join our faith community and be a friend to one of the students. Except for the leaders of the group, there is no teaching or teaching skills required. The Helper Catechists are only asked to build a relationship with their assigned young adult so that both may benefit from the sharing of their love and faith in Christ.

If you can help or you know someone who is interested, please call one of us:

Eileen Hageman 483-6378
Amy Borkowski 484-1281
Bob Selinsky 484-1179

St. John's Bingo
Wednesdays
Doors Open 6:30 p.m.

Intercessory Prayer

Surely Jesus has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows, yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions; He was bruised for our iniquities. The chastisement for our peace was upon Him and with His strips we are healed. Jesus, you are worthy of all our praise. We ask that you teach us to repent of all wrong doing and to come to you with our needs, washed of our sins, free from guilt, rejoicing in your spirit as we bring to You our needs in faith.

We pray for our church and the family of St. John's.

We pray for the parish team and the leaders of your flock.

We pray for our sick, the elderly and shut-ins. May God's healing power and everlasting peace be upon them.

We pray for vocations and catechists to reach and teach your people the Word of God.

We pray for Mark and Karen, Phillip and Christine who by exchanging their vows of Holy Marriage have said yes to you and each other. May they always follow you and keep their commitment to each other.

We pray for St. John's Parish team meeting this week. Jesus anoint them. Pour your Spirit upon them, make their meeting room become a renewed Pentecost with a mighty wind of your Spirit, so that they may speak your word boldly to your family of St. John's.

We pray for Catherine and Susan entering into our Christian community through the Sacrament of Baptism.

We pray for the Cardinals as they go before you in electing a new pope. Give them your wisdom and unity so that they all may be one strong body.

We pray for those whom you have called to your kingdom. The peace of the Lord be with them.

Put on, therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, tender mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, long-suffering, forbearing one another and forgiving one another. And may the peace of the living Lord be upon all of us now and forever.

Praise Jesus
David Rocha

Mrs. Kathryn Byrd, 7400 Cynthia Dr., A.A. 48105, 994-1284.

Mr. Richard Bryd, 7400 Cynthia Dr., A.A. 48105, 994-1284.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hersh, 4816 Washtenaw #C2, A.A. 48104, 434-0967.

Mr. Timothy J. Dwyer, 2126 Lakeview Dr. #196, 485-4343.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Kluck, 5976 Willowbridge, 485-7761.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald P. Yonkoski, 9071 Arlington, 482-2189.

Wanted

Would prefer baby sitter in our home, Monday-Friday, 2:30 to 5:00 p.m. or 3 children to be baby-sat in a home within walking distance of Fletcher School same time a days. Call 483-5758 or 485-3728.

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Reliable woman with own transportation to take care of 3 school age children and 1 toddler once a week from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. starting September. Textile and Stoney Creek area. Call 485-2066 after 6:00 p.m.

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Senior citizen needs room or small apt. before September 1. Call Virginia at 482-8741.

Mature EMU Senior Male desires room for coming school year in a parishioner's home. Please contact rectory, 483-3360.

Christmas Bazaar News

The raffle for the Bazaar is now in the process of being formed. We will be having a main raffle plus a children's raffle. If anyone has an item they wish to donate, please contact one of the following persons by August 30th:

Maggie Sell	434-1626
Mary Wheeler	434-3159
Myra Walters	434-0102

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Wanted

Bleach bottles, dish soap bottles, yarn (even scraps), cotton fabric scraps for Christmas bazaar. Call 482-3754, Joan Gillman.

Festival

"St. Patrick's Church, corner of Old U.S. 23 and Northfield Church Rd., is holding a Labor Day Weekend Festival, September 2 thru 4. They will be featuring a German Dinner Saturday evening at 5:30 p.m., a Chicken Bar-B-Q on Sunday at 12:00 noon, and 4 major tents. A Bingo Tent, Bazaar, Games and Beer Tent. There will be dancing to live bands every nite in the Beer Tent. A Car Raffle will be held on Monday at 5:00 p.m. Activities are planned for a fun filled weekend for all ages. Please plan to attend.

Today
St. Joseph Whittaker
8th Annual Festival
Chicken Dinner - Games - Booths

Financial Barometer

August 20, 1978

Sunday Offering $3,480.30
Peter's Pence
(addt'l) 131.50

Mass Schedule

MONDAY, August 28 - St. Augustine, Bishop-Doctor
7:00 a.m. John Mongiat, req. by Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fiorucci
2:30 p.m. Mary Nissly, req. by Harry and Mickey Parsons

TUESDAY, August 29 - Beheading of John the Baptist, Martyr
7:00 a.m. Jack Finn, req. by Patricia Kotasek
5:30 p.m. Phyllis Harris, req. by Friends in Genesis II

WEDNESDAY, August 30 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. George W. Smith, req. by the Family
9:00 a.m. Vincent Southwell, req. by Charles and Dorothy Hess

THURSDAY, August 31 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. George J. Max (Anniv.), req. by Mrs. George Max
5:30 p.m. Anthony C. White, req. by Mrs. E.G. Burget

FRIDAY, September 1 - Weekday
7:00 a.m. Mrs. Frances Hutting (Anniv.), req. by Mrs. George Max
9:00 a.m. Intention of Mary Barton (91st Birthday)
6:30 p.m. (Wedding) Robert J. Fidler and Janine Procassini

SATURDAY, September 2 - Weekday
9:00 a.m. F. Wayne Sharp, req. by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sharp
5:00 p.m. Gladys Minock, req. by Mr. and Mrs. Pete Parin

SUNDAY, September 3 - Twenty-second Sunday of Year
7:00 a.m. Richard Steeby, req. by Lance and Marge Walters
9:00 a.m. Intention of Parishioners
11:00 a.m. Julia Conlon, req. by Mrs. Bernadette Fogg
12:30 p.m. Laverne and Imelda Kerner (40th Wedding Anniv.), req. by their Children

Wedding Banns

III - Robert J. Fidler and Janine Procassini

II - Thomas D. Hungerford and Susan Brady

Readings for August 27 - September 3

Sunday - Is 22:15, 19-23 Rom 11:33-36 Mt. 16:13-20.

Monday - 1 Jn 4:7-16 Mt. 23:8-12.

Tuesday - Jer. 1:17-19 Mk. 6:17-29.

Wednesday - 2 Thes. 3:6-10, 16-18 Mt. 23:27-32.

Thursday - 1 Cor. 1:1-9 Mt. 24:42-51.

Friday - 1 Cor. 1:17-25 Mt. 25:1-13.

Saturday - 1 Cor. 1:26-31 Mt. 25:14-30.

Sunday - Jer. 20:7-9 Rom. 12:1-2 Mt. 16:21-27.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY: August 27, 1978

About the time religion dies
the Church, like Jesus, seems to rise.
Our lover's quarrel fades away
and we are believers (for a day).

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St. John's Church

3rd Annual Festival

FINAL REPORT

St. John's 3rd annual Parish Festival was held three weeks ago, on August 6, at Moose Park on Stony Creek Road. We were blessed with a beautiful day of sunshine and light breeze and it was said to be an ideal day for a picnic lunch at the park and for participation in the activities provided by the Festival Committee.

In planning for this year's Festival, we decided to ask for sponsors. The response to this request was gratifying and, if you attended the Festival, you saw posters indicating that Gene Butman Ford sponsored the children's train ride and Sesi Lincoln-Mercury sponsored the raffle tickets. On entering the casino, a poster informed you that rental of the tent was sponsored by Joe and Mae Butcho, George's Huron Inn, Grecian Room, Haab's, Hughes Real Estate, Kliemann Real Estate, Seven Seas, Ron and Sharon Tripp, and Wagner-Stark Moore Memorial Chapel.

In addition to these, Mrs. Bernadine Fogg sponsored the Penny Guess, Doug and Theresa Short donated all the rolls used in the snack bar, and Gary Short painted the beautiful signs which were used throughout the park and which were a tremendous help in instructing and directing all of us.

The response of these sponsors was most welcome and went a long way toward the financial success of the Festival.

The next step in preparation for the Festival was distribution of the raffle tickets. Although no attempt was made to keep exact statistics, we estimate one-third of our parishioners participated in this phase by either buying or selling the tickets sent to them.

For several weeks prior to the Festival, you were exposed to the publicity which Stella Swope and her committee developed, in the form of posters, radio announcements, and newspaper articles.

The Festival Committee spent a great deal of time in meeting, making plans, and trying to recruit help for Festival day itself. If you spent any time at the Festival, you saw this group hard at work all day: Ida Frederick, Willie Patterson and Viola Smith in the snack bar, Denise Sprague and Bernadette Solak in children's games, Theresa Short and Ann Chandler in money exchange and raffle tickets, Marlene Dziengelewski in the pavilion over-seeing the cake walk, popcorn/sno-cones and the penny guess, Val Solak selling beer, Paul Bowyer and Art Sprague in the casino, and Ron and Joyce Fraker running the bingo games. Meanwhile, Doug Short, Earl Herbert and Bob Sprague were all over the park, doing those things that cannot be anticipated or that we did not have enough manpower to cover. To those named, and the many who assisted them who we cannot attempt to identify individually in this report, we give our heartfelt thanks.

Arrival at the park was made very pleasant by the greetings of Bob Manion and the boy scouts who helped us park our cars in an orderly fashion and who relieved the Committee of much anxiety in that function.

We thank Fr. Harvey for so much time spent in the dunk tank and Fr. Doepker for his work in the casino. We believe, with that initiation, he can be promoted to share the dunk tank with Fr. Harvey next year. Other members of the Parish Team were also very helpful throughout the afternoon in various activities.

Last, but far from least, we salute no less than 18 of our personal friends and relatives who are not members of St. John's Parish. Their assistance throughout the day and evening clean-up time was invaluable. Without it we would not have had sufficient personnel to properly man all activities. Most of them, along with the Festival Committee named earlier, spent the entire day hard at work.

This brings us to the bottom line--the end result. Was the Festival a success? We feel it was, for many reasons.

... A great many of us enjoyed a day of relaxation and brotherhood.
... Mary Schwall and a guest will spend a weekend in Toronto and, we hope, will have a very good time.
... Robert Taylor, Rosemary Michaels, and Nancy Wagner can enjoy a special treat with the cash prizes they won.
... The Parish Activity Commission was able to realize a profit of approximately $4000 from this Activity.
... From the profit, St. John's Church will be able to purchase much needed equipment. You will hear more of this at another time.

With this report, we close the books on St. John's 3rd annual Festival with our wholehearted thanks to all who participated in any way. We wish we had been able to thank each of you individually and to name each of you in this report.

Let us all look forward to the 4th annual Festival next summer and keep in mind that many volunteers at an early date will enable the Festival Committee of 1979 to give you more activities to enjoy and, at the same time, will make the Committee's task a bit lighter.

Natalie Bowyer
Facilitator

Rita Sprague
Chairman

Parish Activities Commission
August 23, 1978

MINUTES OF CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

July 10, 1978

Present: Fr. Harvey, Fr. Doepker, Tony Comazzi, John Dawson, Jean Eberts, Frank Greiner, Bob Lemkuhl, Sharon Patterson, Rita Sprague, Eileen Tardiff, Mary Ann Tice

Absent: Sr. Carol (excused), Bob Helm

Guests: Judy Buck, Kathleen Wysocki

I. Vice President Frank Greiner called the meeting to order at 8:09 p.m. and Fr. Harvey led us in prayer.

II. Minutes of June meeting were read and approved.

III. Elections were held for new President and Vice President of Council. Nominations for President were Frank Greiner and Robert Lemkuhl. Results: Frank, 5; Robert, 6. Frank Greiner was the only nominee for Vice President. He was unanimously elected. The new President, R. Lemkuhl appointed Penny Hines as Secretary for the coming year.

IV. Commission Reports:

A. Administration - Tony Comazzi

1. Financial report distributed and discussed.
2. The Commission has received one bid on repainting the parking lot - another expected this week. Parking has been approved on Cross and Hamilton Sts. in designated areas for Sunday parking during Masses.
3. Received and accepted a bid for repairing school steps. Work will be completed in 30 - 45 days.

B. Education - Marti Wideman

1. High School - Religious Ed for high school will consist of 4 six-week courses of 1 hour per week. For Juniors and Seniors, in addition, there will be 8 three-hour programs held on certain Sundays. Tuition will be $30 per student.
2. Grades 1 thru 6 - Class periods will be lengthened by 15 minutes; the first week of each month, class will be eliminated. Instead, the teachers will meet with Eileen Hageman for training and to plan classes for the coming month. This session open to parents. Tuition will be $20 per student.

C. Parish Activity - Rita Sprague

1. Festival plans are progressing. Raffle tickets have been mailed. Articles being written weekly for Ypsi Catholic.
2. Commission honored loyal bingo workers with dinner on June 17th. Good-byes said to Jim and Kay Baker, long-time Bingo workers who are being transferred out of area. Bingo games still realizing profit each week of summer.

D. Service - Eileen Tardiff - Invitation issued to all Senior Members to attend a picnic at St. Pats, Whitmore, July 12th.

E. Worship Commission - No report

V. Old Business

1. Parish Directory - Still contacting members who have not yet selected photos. Fr. Doepker writing parish history. Directory should be received sometime in September.

2. Zoning up-date - Letters and pertinent information sent to all Zone leaders. Expect to have census and surveys back by August 13th.

3. Beedham Hall Study Committee - Will have report by September meeting.

4. Council Workshop - Fr. Doepker contacted Fr. William Rademacher as planned. September 23rd has been set aside as date (tentative) for session. Will set up an earlier time to get together with committee for planning. Fr. Rademacher agreed to attend this planning session.

VI. Questions from floor - None

VII. New Business - J. P. Stevens Boycott - After much discussion, Fr. Doepker suggested that either he or Fr. Harvey write article for Ypsi Catholic regarding J. P. Stevens controversy to make the congregation aware of the situation, in order that they may take individual stands according to their conscience. Rita Sprague made the motion "that we accept Fr. Doepker's suggestion". It was unanimously agreed.

2. Tony Comazzi made the motion "that via the Council minutes, we we publicly thank Dick Ouelette for the fine job he did as President of Council last year." Seconded by Mary Ann Tice, and supported by all.

VIII. Announcements

1. There will be no Council meeting in August mainly because none of the Commissions will be meeting. The next Council meeting will be on September 11th at 8 p.m.
2. The agenda meeting will be held September 5th at 7:30 p.m.

IX. Motion to adjourn made by Frank Greiner. Meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny Hines, Secretary